

REMARKS

This application has been carefully reviewed in light of the Office Action dated March 20, 2006. Claims 1-18 remain pending in this application. Claims 1 and 10 are the independent claim.

In response to the Office Action's double patenting rejection under the judicially created doctrine of nonstatutory double patenting, Applicant respectfully submits that since it is a provisional rejection, it is not ripe for response at this time.

On the merits, the Office Action rejected Claims 1-18 under 35 U.S.C. § 112, first paragraph as failing to convey to one skilled in the art that the inventor had possession of the claimed invention. Applicant respectfully submits that the amendments to Claims 1 and 10 render the §112, first paragraph rejection of Claims 1-18 moot and respectfully requests its withdrawal.

In view of the foregoing remarks, Applicant respectfully requests favorable reconsideration and early passage to issue of the present application. Applicant's undersigned attorney may be reached by telephone at the number given below.

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